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(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Arizona – US CBP Arrests MS-13 Member and Others Traveling to Los Angeles

(U) Yuma – CBP agents arrested an MS-13 gang member from Mexico along with three US citizens and five other illegal aliens attempting to travel to Los Angeles in two separate immigration stops. In the first event, CBP agents performed an immigration stop on a Ford Fusion with five occupants as it was traveling. Agents identified one of the three illegal alien passengers. One who was identified as an MS-13 gang member from Mexico. In the second event that afternoon, Wellton Station agents performed an immigration stop on a Chevrolet Tahoe near Wellton. Agents identified two previously deported illegal aliens from Mexico and two United States citizens in the vehicle. The illegal aliens stated they were attempting to travel to Los Angeles to work and reside.

SOURCE: 3 December 2018, [CBP Press Release](#)

(U) Texas – Over 400 Migrants Cross Border and Surrender to US CBP

(U) El Paso – A group of men, women and children surrendered to agents along the Rio Grande levee next to the border fence, said an agency spokesman. The group was the latest in an increase in recent weeks of groups of large number of migrants crossing the Texas border to turn themselves in in a bid for political asylum. CBP initially detained 200 people but the number had jumped to 400 yesterday evening. It was not known if the migrants were part of the Central American caravans making their way through Mexico. The countries where the migrants are from were not immediately disclosed. The migrants were taken into custody and will be processed. A determination will be made whether they will be prosecuted for illegal entry.

SOURCE: 3 December 2018, [El Paso Times](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Georgia – Polio-Like Disease in US Children Appears to Have Peaked for 2018

(U) Atlanta – Federal health officials said yesterday that cases of the paralyzing, polio-like illness that was spiking in children in the United States this year appears to have peaked. 134 cases of acute flaccid myelitis, or AFM, have been confirmed in 33 states, according to CDC. Another 165 cases are under investigation. In a statement, the CDC said officials expect the number of cases to decline for the remainder of the year. Most of the latest confirmed cases occurred in September and October. Without clear guidance, doctors are trying several kinds of treatment. While some children have seen improvement, no treatment has been found to lead reliably to full recovery.

SOURCE: 3 December 2018, [Washington Post](#)

(U) Kansas – Police Investigating Deadly Shooting Outside University of Kansas Hospital

(U) Kansas City – One person is dead following a shooting outside the main entrance of the University of Kansas Hospital. A police spokesperson said investigators think a man shot another man and woman, and then the victims then drove themselves the two miles to KU Hospital. Once outside the hospital, the male victim ran toward the entrance. The shooter followed him and shot him outside the doors. Police said the shooter then shot himself. The female victim is in stable condition, while the male victim

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suffered serious injuries. According to several employees, the hospital first alerted them to an active shooter event around midnight. The mass text message instructed employees to run, hide, and fight and to avoid the main entrance to the hospital.

SOURCE: 4 December 2018, [KSHB](#)

(U) Massachusetts – Teen charged in MS-13 killing had avoided deportation

(U) Boston – A Massachusetts teen facing murder charges, had been allowed to remain in the country despite being identified by police as an active member of MS-13. DHS officials told an immigration judge this summer 19-year-old Henri Salvador Gutierrez should be deported to his native El Salvador because he was a verified and active member of MS-13 with multiple weapons-related arrests. But the judge deemed the information against Gutierrez inconclusive and ordered him released in June 2018. Weeks later Gutierrez and five other alleged MS-13 members stabbed a low-level gang associate to death in July 2018. Gutierrez pleaded not guilty to the charges in Boston federal court and is being held without bail pending his next court date.

SOURCE: 3 December 2018, [Associated Press](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) Mexico – Attack by Gunmen to Free Prisoner Kills Six Police**

(U) Mexico City – Six policemen in western Mexico were killed yesterday when a gang of gunmen attacked them in an apparent bid to free a prisoner they were transporting. The attack was the most serious by criminal gangs since President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador took office, pledging to quell violence in Mexico. The attorney general of Jalisco state said gunmen travelling in three vehicles attacked the state police patrol near a highway in the town of La Huerta. One of the attackers was wounded and captured, and police officer was also wounded. The other attackers escaped, setting up two roadblocks with vehicles they commandeered and set on fire. Mexico's drug cartels often use such barricades to cover their escape. The state is the home base of the Jalisco New Generation drug cartel.

SOURCE: 3 December 2018, [Associated Press](#)

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